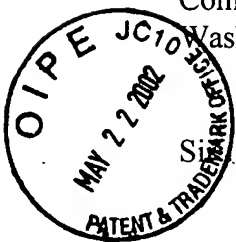


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PETITION FOR ONE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Notice Of Missing Parts dated February 22, 2002 by one month. With the extension the response is due on or before May 22, 2002. A check in the amount of \$55.00 (to cover the petition fee set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(a)(2) for a small entity) is transmitted herewith.

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